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Effective 1 April 1955, activities of RBAs will be restricted to the control of railroad operations and the coordination of subordinate railroad agencies concerned with operations and traffic. In connection with this reorganization, the following measures will be taken:

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- a. Effective 15 February 1955, RBA Departments for Rolling Stock, Safety and Telecommunications, Security and Fire Fighting will be deactivated; RBA Departments for Machinery, Tracks, Main Accountancy, and Investments will be deactivated effective 15 March 1955. The missions of these deactivated departments will be taken over by the corresponding departments of RBDs.
 - b. The RBA Departments for Planning and Statistics, Labor and Materials Supply, will be reorganized and will work exclusively for the Departments for Operations and Traffic effective 15 February.
 - c. The handling of inventions and of classified material will be reorganized. Special orders will be issued later. 1
2. On 24 March 1955, it was learned that effective 1 April 1955, RBA 7, Berlin, retained only the Department for Operations and Traffic. All the other departments of RBA 7 will be taken over by RBD Berlin. 1
3. The following additional information was obtained:
- a. Effective 1 April 1955, RBA Eberswalde was scheduled to be deactivated.² On 19 March, only the Departments for Operations and Traffic and the Finance Department were in operation. All other departments of RBA Eberswalde were deactivated in early February.

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- b. RBA Pasewalk will continue to function. On 15 March, only the Departments for Materials Supply and Machinery were deactivated. Their functions will be taken over by RBD Greifswald.
- c. Cables required for the new dispatcher system have been laid from Greifswald as far as Pasewalk. [redacted] the cable system has been completed as far as Berlin. At RBD Greifswald, the main dispatchers for machinery, for safety installations, construction work, and operations and traffic were scheduled to start operating on 1 April 1955. 25X1
4. The following information was obtained [redacted] 25X1
- a. The reorganization of RBAs was scheduled to be completed by 1 April 1955. Previously, each RBA consisted of 12 departments. Most of them were deactivated and their functions were taken over by RBAs. After this reorganization, RBAs have become railroad agencies of minor importance.
- b. In connection with this reorganization, the area of RBA 1, Berlin, was reduced in size so as to cover only the area of Berlin. The lines extending to Strausberg and Werneuchen were transferred to another RBA. 4
1. [redacted] Comment. These data confirm previous information. [redacted] 25X1
- [redacted] . These measures reveal a tendency toward greater centralization in connection with an increased economy drive. [redacted] Of the previous 37 RBAs, 11 were deactivated and a new one was established at Meiningen. The responsibilities of the remaining RBAs were greatly reduced. [redacted] 25X1
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2. [redacted]
3. [redacted] Comment. The introduction of the Soviet type dispatcher system has been under way since the fall of 1954. [redacted] 25X1
4. [redacted] Comment. The changes in the area of RBA 1, Berlin, were reported previously. [redacted] 25X1
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